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TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

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SUBJECT:GAO SURVEY: POLICIES AND PRACTICES AFFECTING FOOD
AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

1. GAO HAS BEEN CONDUCTING SUBJECT SURVEY SINCE MID-AUGUST
AT WASHINGTON AGENCIES (STATE, AID, AGRICULTURE) WITH OVER-
SEAS WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY THEIR REGIONAL OFFICES (FRANK-
FURT AND BANGKOK) AS FOLLOWS: NAIROBI ETA JANUARY 6;
DAR ES SALAAM ETA JANUARY 27; JAKARTA ETA JANUARY 6;
COLOMBO ETA JANUARY 20. GAO REGIONAL DIRECTORS WILL NOTIFY
ACTION ADDRESSEES OF AUDIT TEAM ACTUAL ARRIVAL DATES AND
NAMES OF AUDITORS. GAO WASHINGTON MAY INCLUDE LIMA AND
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MONTEVIDEO BUT THIS TENTATIVE AT PRESENT, AND DEPARTMENT WILL ADVISE IF AND WHEN FIRM.

2. AS ADVISED DEPARTMENT BY GAO, SURVEY IS PART OF THEIR CONTINUING WORK RELATING TO WORLD FOOD PROBLEM AND THAT DURING COURSE OVERSEAS SURVEY THEY PLAN TO EXAMINE:
1) WHETHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE ESTABLISHED POLICIES AND PRACTICES WHICH PROMOTE EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR AGRICULTURE SECTOR; 2) WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO REMOVE ANY EXISTING DISINCENTIVES OR PROMOTE USE OF MORE OR BETTER INCENTIVES; 3) THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN MOTIVATING THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO IMPROVE AND INCREASE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

3. DEPARTMENT WISHES BE FORTHCOMING AND COOPERATE WITH GAO ON SUBJECT SURVEY WITHIN PROVISIONS 4 FAM 930-934. GAO AWARE THAT ANY CONTACTS OUTSIDE OF USG OFFICIAL COMMUNITY AT DISCRETION OF AMBASSADOR AND TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY EMBASSY. ANY GAO REQUEST TO INTERVIEW OFFICIALS OF UN AGENCIES REQUIRES DEPARTMENT APPROVAL. PROBLEMS ARISING DURING COURSE OF SURVEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. KISSINGER

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